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James H. Hamilton, a negro, twenty-eight years old, confessed to Lieut. Dunn in Police Headquarters today that he had killed his wife during a fight and told how he packed the body in a trunk ready for shipment.

Early in January the police of New Haven found pieces of a woman's body in the sink at No. 73 Eaton street. The woman had been dead several days.

Parts of the woman's body were found in five different rooms in the house, Hamilton had died.

A woman rang up Police Headquarters today and Lieut. Dunn answered. The woman would not tell her name, but told Lieut. Dunn that she had read of the New Haven murder and that the murderer could be found at No. 20 West Seventy-eighth street.

Detectives Lowenstein, Boyle and Ross were sent to the house. There they found Hamilton, a heavy-jawed, rambled negro, very black, twenty-eight years old and heavy set. He made no resistance and with seeming willingness permitted the detectives to handcuff him and take him to Police Headquarters.

There he was told he was under arrest for the murder of his wife. He calmly and in the manner he would tell a funny story, related to the police the story of the crime.

"Yes, I killed her," he said, according to Lieut. Dunn. "I killed her because we could not get along together. We had a quarrel during Christmas week and she began to take up past history. I hit her in the head with a hammer and she fell over unconscious."

"Then I stuck a knife into her. When I was sure she was dead I put her body into a trunk."

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When Mrs. Helen Poole, a well-dressed young woman of twenty-three, was held over in Adams Street Court, Brooklyn, today with five men, all of whom are said to be desperate safe-blowers and burglars, the police attempted to show that if she was not really the brains of the gang her home was used as headquarters and she assisted in the melting of gold stolen by her confederates and in the disposition of loot.

The arrest of Mrs. Poole and four of the men occurred last night at her home, No. 50 Ashland place, after a sensational raid of Richard Osborne, alias Frederick W. Smith, alias George Curtis, alias Patrick Murphy, who was taken in a mezzanine box in the Orpheum Theatre yesterday afternoon at the point of a revolver.

Osborne is said to have more out of his home without being armed with a magazine revolver. When he entered the theatre after leaving his four men companions and Mrs. Poole, the woman's house, he was closely followed.

Detective in Same Box.

He was heard to ask for a box seat, and when he was assigned to Box D, Detective Burlingame, of Washington, D. C., who has been after the gang for weeks, got the only other vacant seat in the box.

Burlingame knew that he was dealing with a desperate man. Detectives Manning, Drum and Brown were standing behind the curtain. The detectives waited until Osborne was gazing at the stage when one of them stepped forward and pressed the revolver against the back of his head.

"I'm not armed," he began.

A detective poked his hand into the man's overcoat pocket and drew forth the wicked magazine revolver. The prisoner was then shackled and led to a cell.

Osborne had been watched for several days. While he was being arrested, detectives stood in front of Mrs. Poole's home, and were only holding back until the word came to make the raid. Mrs. Poole did not know it, but she had been watched for several weeks.

The man was living in the house for about two months. When she first came she represented that she was studying to be a milliner, and that she was in Industrial School No. 5. Every body believed her. She was the sort of woman who invited confidence, being kind in her dealings with other women and always sympathetic.

Many Theft in Section.

A few weeks ago there were a number of mysterious robberies in Washington. Safes were broken into, and jewelry was robbed right and left. Detective Burlingame was assigned to the case, and he concluded that Richard Osborne, the man with many aliases, at least knew something about them.

The raid on Mrs. Poole's house was unexpected by every one inside. The detectives broke through the basement door and rushed to rooms upstairs. In one room were Mrs. Poole and four men sitting around a table.

Mrs. Poole was indignant. She ordered the men from her house, but finally subsided. The four men gave their names as Ernest Edwards, who also has been known as McIntyre; Peter Peterson, Henry Brennan and James Crosby.

Crosby turned to the police and said, as he was being taken from the house, "Let me get my overcoat. It hangs in the closet."

Gun and Tools.

Detective Manning went to the closet and found the overcoat. From the pocket of the garment he drew forth a long barreled revolver, loaded and ready for action.

The detectives then began a search of the house. In the room where the woman and men were arrested were found a complete safe cracking outfit, including an electrical arrangement, nitro-glycerine and soap to deaden the sound.

In the cellar were more burglar tools a quantity of melted gold, valued at about \$2,000, two gold watches, a diamond ring, worth about \$200, and \$200 in cash.

In the Adams Street Court Magistrate, Doolley held the band without bond for two days. This will give opportunity for transferring the five to the United States authorities, who will then return them for trial in the District of Columbia without the formalities of requisitions.

WHAT STEINERT MEANT.

Magistrate Will Enforce Liquor Law, but Wants Real Evidence.

Magistrate Henry Steinert, who was quizzed yesterday as having held detectives in Harlem Court that he would not hold any prisoners arrested for violation of the excise law, made it clear today that what he actually said was misunderstood. He told the detective, he said that he would not hold prisoners against whom there was no evidence, but that he would hold those who had been arrested on a warrant issued by a judge of the District of Columbia.

Five Men Held as Gang of Burglars, and Woman Alleged to Be Leader



POLICEMAN ENDS LIFE WITH HIS OWN REVOLVER

Murbach Had Just Returned Home After Mysterious Absence of Six Days.

John G. Murbach, a policeman of the East Fifty-ninth street station, killed himself with his revolver at his home, No. 127 East One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, the Bronx, today. He leaves a widow and five children between one and eight years old.

Mrs. Lillian Murbach, the policeman's widow said her husband had not been on duty since Feb. 1. He reported sick on that day, but did not go before any police surgeon for examination.

He left the house last Wednesday, saying he was going down to the station to draw his January salary. He did not return, nor did Mrs. Murbach hear anything of him until 9 o'clock this morning, when he came in slightly unsteady on his feet.

"Never mind, John," said Mrs. Murbach, "I'm not going to say a word. I'm not going to ask where you have been or anything. I don't care. I'm glad to get you back and so are the babies."

She persuaded him to lie down in his bedroom.

An hour or two later Mrs. Bogler, the landlady, called for the rent. Mrs. Murbach went to her room and asked her husband if he had drawn his salary. He answered her and then went to bed. She said she wanted to pay the landlady, but finally gave her the money.

She had been in the room for some time when there was a sound of a shot from the bedroom. Mrs. Murbach ran to the door and found the policeman on the bed and wound through the house beside himself and screaming frantically. The neighbors called Policeman Youle of the Alexander avenue station from the street and he ran in to find the policeman on the bed.

Murbach had been a policeman twelve years and his credits were good. He was a quiet, unassuming man, and was known to all who knew him as a good fellow.

Coroner Schwannke learned from the widow that her husband's return home this morning was due to a hunt made for him downtown by his brother Thomas, who knew that Police Sergeant Schmitt had called at the policeman's home and had reported to the department that Murbach was a thief.

The policeman was out and about. The policeman was in debt and his creditors were pressing him and threatening charges.

RIOT IN BERLIN
AS THE KING
MEETS KAISER.

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through several streets, shouting and singing and in a loud shout shouting "Three cheers for the police!" Later, the demonstrators became stubborn and refused to yield, whereupon the police drew their sabres and attacked them. The rioters then tried to tear down the flags decorating buildings and omnibuses, but they were prevented by the police and some of them sustained injuries, while others had to be arrested before order was restored.

King Edward accompanied by Queen Alexandra arrived in Berlin early today from London, and was given a warm welcome by Emperor William and the German authorities. The city was gaily decorated in honor of the visitors, and large crowds gathered in the beleaguered streets to witness the procession to the palace.

The special train bearing the King and Queen arrived at the Lehrter railroad station at 11 o'clock. There had assembled to meet the King Emperor William, the Crown Prince, the other Princes of the Royal House, including Prince Henry of Prussia, the Emperor's brother; Chancellor von Buelow, Foreign Minister von Schoen, and a number of other members of the cabinet and high officials of the court. A squadron of the Queen Victoria Regiment of Dragoons, which King Edward is honorary colonel, was drawn up within the sta-

tion, and the band of this regiment heralded the arrival of the special train with music.

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"RINGER" ON THE JURY TRYING THE SUGAR TRUST?

Member of Notorious "Old Guard" Discovered by Counsel for Defense.

MAY CHANGE SYSTEM.

Alleged False Scales Used in Plot Pictured by Witness.

A sensation is hovering over the United States District Court to-day following the discovery by lawyers representing the Sugar Trust that there is a "Federal ringer" on the jury which is trying the Government's suit to recover a total of \$230,513.33, out of which, it is charged, the American Sugar Refining Company defrauded the Government by false weighing of sugar cargoes. The man whose presence in the jury box is being investigated was a member of the famous "Old Guard," the institution of professional jurymen which United States District Attorney Harry L. Stinson was believed to have broken up when he was appointed to represent the Government in New York City.

In view of the participation by Special Agent Richard F. Furr of the United States Treasury, to an extent of 50 per cent, in any money which may be recovered from the Sugar Trust, the locating of the Old Guard jurymen in the box may result in a remodeling of the entire system under which jurors are drawn for service in the Federal cases.

Sharpening Their Wits.

The recent discovery by lawyers representing The World that the United States Attorney for this district was using an illegal form of subpoena, which contention was sustained by Judge Ward in his lengthy opinion, has sharpened the wits of lawyers practicing in the Federal courts of New York City.

When the man, who has since been identified as one of the "twenty-two regulars for jury duty," was examined by the lawyers for the Sugar Trust, he stated that he had not served as a jurymen in the Federal Building for a year's time. This statement made by him is being carefully investigated, as some of the attendants in the Federal Building claim it is untrue.

During the court recess to-day John B. Stanchfield, chief counsel for the Sugar Trust, was asked concerning the report of "inducement."

"I do not care to speak of the matter at this time," replied Mr. Stanchfield. "Later I may have something to say, but not now. I would prefer that nothing be published in regard to the matter until it has been thoroughly investigated."

Seated in the very courtroom where the Sugar Trust case is being tried was a second member of the Old Guard, while patrolling the corridor outside was a third member of the "Federal ringers," who has been rewarded with an appointment as Deputy United States Marshal since the alleged breaking up of the Old Guard.

Pictures Game for Jury.

Witnesses told the routine of weighing cargoes and assessing customs duties, and photographs of the weighing scales used were put in evidence before the jurors could not be confirmed.

The presence in the city of Deputy Attorney-General Oliver C. Pannen, of Chicago, the grand master indictment drawer of the Federal forces, gave rise to the speculation that he was here to draw up an indictment against the Press Publishing Company. This speculation of yesterday became a report today that "Pagen would supervise" an indictment which had been "drawn in the rough" by Assistant District Attorney Wise.

There was no session this morning of the Federal Grand Jury. Several employees of The World had been subpoenaed to appear, but they were notified that they would not be required.

The end of the regular session of the Grand Jury is March 9.

TO AID TRADE SCHOOL.

Mrs. Dore Lyon Has Arranged an Elaborate Entertainment.

Mrs. Dore Lyon, Director-General of the New York Trades School for Girls, for whose benefit a Carnival Fete Chantant will be given at the Waldorf-Astoria, Feb. 20, has prepared an extensive programme of vaudeville acts. A number of noted stage people will take part in the entertainment.

A feature will be the presentation of the opera "Trial by Jury," with a jury of young society men and a bridesmaid's chorus. Young society boys will preside over the flower booths and fancy stunts young women will serve refreshments. Debutantes will be programme girls, and young matrons will read plays. Cigarettes will be served by a bevy of Spanish girls.

CANCER KILLS GIRL OF FIVE.

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200 SPITTERS ARRESTED ON "L" AND IN SUBWAY.

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fair to let them have a warning and another chance. But you have had a surgical training and know the danger of indiscriminate expectation. There is no excuse for you. You are fined one dollar."

Dr. Bingham wedged a great roll of bills out of his pocket, paid his fine and stalked out of court, sniffling with disgust.

Magistrate Krost fined the men \$1 and \$2 and the boys 50 cents.

Sixteen offenders were arraigned before Magistrate Kernohan in the West Side Court, and all were discharged after a lecture.

The twenty-five spitters who were taken before Magistrate Harris in the Morrisania Court were fined \$1 each. The same number met the same fate before Magistrate Herman in Yorkville Court.

Dr. Benschel, the Sanitary Superintendent of the Health Department, in speaking of the crusade, said that the campaign against careless expectation had just begun.

"This morning," he said, "we sent out our full corps of inspectors, forty-four in all. We have had men engaged in making arrests of careless spitters before, but they have been more or less dilly in performing their duty."

"We issued orders when we sent out the men this morning that they were to arrest all offenders, and we have every proof that our orders have been followed. Within four hours after the men went out we received reports of 150 arrests."

The crusade extended to Brooklyn also, and as a result thirty men were fined \$1 each by Magistrate Pooley in the Adams Street Police Court. All but two of the thirty had the money to pay their fines.

Whiskey for Lame Back

The increased use of whiskey for lame back and rheumatism is causing considerable discussion among the medical fraternity. It is an almost infallible cure when mixed with certain other ingredients and taken properly. The following is the formula:

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